



Office of Council President

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Need Help Finding Resources? The County's 2-1-1 System can help, in many languages. Call 211 on your phone or visit <https://211sandiego.org/>  
For City of San Diego COVID-19 updates, visit: <https://www.sandiego.gov/coronavirus>

Dear San Diego Residents,

Sunday, Councilmember Monica Montgomery and I issued a [joint statement](#) calling for peace and community trust as action is taken to respond to protests. Late Sunday afternoon, I went to the frontlines of the protest to observe and to help de-escalate in order to keep everyone safe.

Yesterday, I met with Mayor Faulconer, Councilmember Montgomery, and San Diego Police Chief David Nisleit. We agreed on next steps that the City will take to address the concerns of our communities, beginning with stopping the use of the carotid restraint effective immediately. However, this is just the beginning. Conversations with the community will continue. View the [press conference](#).

**"The City of San Diego is taking a critical step today by banning the use of the carotid restraint," Council President Gómez. "As we've seen, it is deadly, and it is unnecessary. I thank Mayor Faulconer and Police Chief Nisleit for working with us on this long-overdue reform. My longstanding commitment to equal justice and treatment of all residents with dignity and respect is stronger than ever, and unwavering. I'm grateful to all San Diegans who are peacefully expressing their frustration and anger. I will always work with you to hold all our institutions accountable."**

**Today**, the City Council will vote on [a resolution to denounce xenophobia and anti-Asian racism](#) arising due to fears of the COVID-19 pandemic and affirming the City's commitment to the well-being and safety of the Asian Pacific Islander communities.

We have to stop hate. I am proud to work with the San Diego Asian Pacific Islander Coalition on this resolution. No human being should have the experience of discrimination as a result of a virus. A virus does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, or country of origin.

Read the [article in the San Diego Union-Tribune](#).

San Diego leaders denounce racist attacks against Asian Pacific Islander community



Left to right: San Diego Council President Georgette Gómez, Erin Chew, Executive Director of Pacific Arts Movement Kent Lee and President and CEO of the Asian Business Association Jason Paugio. Community leaders and elected officials discussed incidents of verbal and physical attacks against Asian American Pacific Islander residents during a virtual conference Wednesday. (Andrea Lopez-Villafana/Andrea Lopez-Villafana/San Diego Union-Tribune)

### City Council Updates

- The City Council extended San Diego [ban on evictions of residents and small businesses](#) that have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. It's now in place until June 30. If you can't pay your rent in June because of the pandemic, notify your landlord in writing. More information, sample letters to landlords, and additional assistance is available by contacting the [San Diego Housing Commission](#) or the [Legal Aid Society of San Diego](#).
- The City Council allocated \$5 million from the federal CARES Act to pay for **childcare for essential workers and other vulnerable populations**. This matches \$5 million from the County, for a total of \$10 million. Contact the 211 or Child Care Referral Line at 1-800-418-2151 or by email at [myreferral@ymca.org](mailto:myreferral@ymca.org).

**City of San Diego**

**Residential & Commercial Eviction Moratorium**

*Extended through June 30*

- Stops landlords from evicting renters and businesses struggling due to COVID-19
- Tenants and landlords encouraged to work out payment plan
- Tenants must notify landlords of inability to pay on or before date rent is due
- Tenants must provide documentation of COVID-19-related hardship within 7 days
- Tenants have 6 months to pay unpaid rent; landlords may not charge late fees

Visit [www.SDHC.org/evictionban](http://www.SDHC.org/evictionban) for details.

[www.sandiego.gov/cd9](http://www.sandiego.gov/cd9)

**Every Friday**, join me on Twitter and Facebook for a Live update at 5:30 in English and 5:45 in Spanish.

In Solidarity,

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